

### ABSTRACT

Nonwoven substrates suitable for use as wet wipes are disclosed. The nonwoven substrates comprise at least one first region and at least one second region. The second region comprises reinforced protruding elements. In a preferred embodiment, the second region of the nonwoven substrate is reinforced by means of thermal bonding during the creation of the protruding elements of the second region. A liquid can be added to the nonwoven substrate prior to packaging or prior to use to make wet wipes. The reinforced second regions of the nonwoven substrates of the present invention make it possible to retain thickness of the wipe when wet without increasing the dry basis.